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APPENDIX I.

[Vide answer to Starred Question No. 2094, asked by Sri T. S. Ramaswami, at the meeting of the Legislative Assembly held on 15th November 1961, page 564 supra.]

A.—(a) The scheme was started in April 1960. The assistance given to areas under the Package Programme during the one year from April 1960—March 1961 are given below:—

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| (i) Additional quantity of fertiliser supplied. | Nitrogenous fertilisers in term of ammonium sulphate. | 2,830 tons. |
| | Super phosphate. | 2,356 tons. |
| (ii) Cost of mechanical implements supplied. | Rs. 1,14,340 (4,027 numbers). | |
| (iii) Cost of Technical assistance given. (Expenditure on Technical staff.) | Rs. 3,25,712 | |

(b) Net additional production of rice in the area estimated for 1960-61 is 12,971 tons.

(c) 8.5 per cent in the case of rice. Figures for other crops are not available as the scheme was confined to paddy crop only.

APPENDIX II.

[Vide answer to the Starred Question No. 2097 asked by Sri R. Srinivasa Iyer at the meeting of the Legislative Assembly held on 15th November 1961, page 566 supra.]

A.—So far as the Madras State is concerned, Ramanathapuram district is considered to be the industrially backward area. The Director, Small Industries Service Institute, Madras (Government of India Institute) had conducted an intensive campaign at Virudhunagar from 12th September 1959 to 3rd October 1959 which was first of its kind in this State. During the campaign, the scope and functions of Small Industries Service Institute, Madras and the prospects for starting new industries in and around Virudhunagar were explained to new entrepreneurs. Copies of various model schemes and copies of industrial survey reports relating to the Virudhunagar area were distributed to the interested parties at the meeting. The artisans were explained the working of automatic machines installed in the mobile workshops for smithy, leather and carpentry belonging to the institute as also the methods of manufacture; some were given training in operating the machines and manufacture of products with the help of machines. The Assistant Director, Extension Centre of the Small Industries Service Institute at Madurai is also rendering 'on the spot assistance' to small scale industrialists such as installation of the machines, technical advice on the manufacturing process, designing and making dies, etc.